

House Resolution 1741

By: Representatives Smith of the 113th, Ehrhart of the 36th, Burkhalter of the 50th, Porter of the 143rd, Martin of the 47th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the University of Georgia men's tennis team and inviting them
2 to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the University of Georgia men's tennis team won its fifth NCAA Men's Tennis
4 Championship in Athens, Georgia, on May 22, 2007, completing the first undefeated season
5 in team history by going 32-0; and

6 WHEREAS, they also won their second straight ITA Team Indoor National Championship
7 on February 19, 2007; their second consecutive SEC regular season championship, the 24th
8 in team history and more than any other SEC school; and their second straight SEC
9 Tournament crown, the seventh in team history, which also leads all conference schools; and

10 WHEREAS, John Isner, Luis Flores, and Travis Helgeson each earned All-America
11 recognition in singles play; and

12 WHEREAS, John Isner and Luis Flores were named doubles All-Americans and the ITA
13 Doubles Team of the Year; and

14 WHEREAS, John Isner earned the ITA/Farnsworth Senior Player of the Year award; his
15 second straight SEC Player of the Year award, becoming the only player in conference
16 history to earn that accolade twice; the all-time winningest singles and doubles player in
17 Georgia history during the season; the seventh University of Georgia tennis player ever to
18 earn All-American honors all four years of his career; and a four-time doubles All-American
19 and three-time singles All-American; and

20 WHEREAS, all six of the Bulldogs' starters, John Isner, Luis Flores, Travis Helgeson, Matic
21 Omerzel, Nate Schnugg and Jamie Hunt, earned All-SEC recognition; and

1 WHEREAS, Matic Omerzel was named the NCAA Tournament Most Outstanding Player
2 and the SEC Tournament MVP; and

3 WHEREAS, the Bulldogs posted a team-record 23 shutouts during the season, and gave up
4 only one point during the NCAA Tournament, winning five of their six matches by a 4-0
5 score; and

6 WHEREAS, this was all accomplished under the outstanding leadership of Head Coach
7 Manuel Diaz, who was named ITA National Head Coach of the Year for the third time and
8 SEC co-Coach of the Year, his fifth conference Coach of the Year award and second in a
9 row.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
11 this body joins together to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of the University of
12 Georgia Men's tennis team, commends them on their outstanding performance, and invites
13 them to appear before this body at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House
14 for the purposes of being recognized by the House and receiving an appropriate copy of this
15 resolution.